



RESOLUTION

RENAMING WAHIAWA DISTRICT PARK THE GEORGE FRED WRIGHT WAHIAWA DISTRICT PARK.

WHEREAS, Section 22-9.5 (e) and (f) of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, states:

- (e) All naming or renaming of city parks, sites or facilities shall be by resolution by the council of the City and County of Honolulu. Approval for the erection or placement of permanent memorials shall be by resolution, provided that an appropriate budget ordinance has been enacted where required.
- (f) The council may, on its own motion, designate a name for a new or existing park, site, facility or memorial, consistent with the requirements set forth herein, by adoption of an appropriate resolution;

and

WHEREAS, additionally, ROH Section 22-9.3 states that:

In exceptional cases, a new or existing park, site or facility may be named for a person, or for a belief, ideal, concept or historical event of significance to the community, city, nation or world. In cases where the park, site or facility is named for an individual, that person must be deceased, unless the person is a former mayor or former councilmember of the City and County of Honolulu, and must meet one or more of the following criteria:

- (A) The person has a significant association with the park, site, or facility;
- (B) The person has contributed significantly to the community or area in which the park, site or facility is located;
- (C) The person has achieved significant recognition historically on the city, state, national or international level; or
- (D) The person has been honored for service with the armed forces of the United States of America;

and

WHEREAS, Wahiawa District Park is a heavily used recreational area and gathering place in central Oahu; and

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WHEREAS, Resolution 90-488, CD1 changed the official name of "Wahiawa Recreation Center" to "Wahiawa District Park"; and

WHEREAS, while Wahiawa District Park is referred to by many Wahiawa community residents as "Fred Wright Park," there is no documentation that the park was so named; and

WHEREAS, the council wishes to rename "Wahiawa District Park" to "George Fred Wright Wahiawa District Park," in honor of George Fred Wright, a former mayor of the City and County of Honolulu from 1931 to 1938; and

WHEREAS, born as George Frederick Wright in Hawaii on April 23, 1881, he attended the old Fort street school and graduated from the Honolulu City High School in 1898; and

WHEREAS, George Fred Wright was elected to the Territorial Board of Supervisors in 1926, reelected to the Board in 1928, elected outright in the primary election as Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu in 1930, and reelected to the mayoral office by overwhelming majorities in the elections of 1932, 1934 and 1936; and

WHEREAS, George Fred Wright died in office on July 2, 1938; and

WHEREAS, known as "Mayor Fred Wright," George Fred Wright was a respected leader who was recognized for his energy, sincerity and strong desire to achieve a greater and a better Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, as a surveyor and engineer, former Mayor Fred Wright supported civic beautification projects and the use of public works projects for unemployment relief during the depression including, ambitious plans to place power lines underground and plans to modernize the street lighting system for Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, while the State of Hawaii named the Mayor Wright housing project in downtown Honolulu in honor of him, the council believes that a city park should also be named in his honor because of his interest in civic beautification and because the community identifies the park as Fred Wright Park and has done so for many years; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Wahiawa District Park be renamed the George Fred Wright Wahiawa District Park; and



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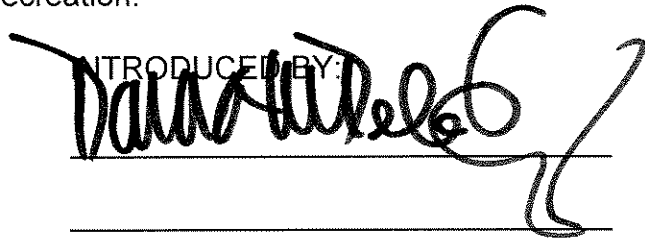
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the council requests the city administration to erect appropriate signage and approves the placement of such signage at park to honor George Fred Wright; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the mayor and the director of parks and recreation.

INTRODUCED BY:



DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

APR 20 2006

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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Introduced: 04/20/06 By: DONOVAN DELA CRUZ

Committee: PARKS

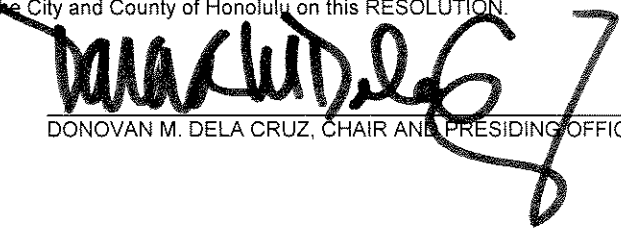
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.


DENISE C. DE COSTA, CITY CLERK


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER